



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:)	
Garstenauer et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3754
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Appl. No. 10/021,688)	Examiner: Bastianelli, John
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Filing Date: December 11, 2001)	Docket No. TRG-300
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For: Variable Hydraulic Valve Drive)	Confirmation No. 9175

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO 23 SEPT 03 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 23, 2003, please address the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the amended drawing figure is attached following page 19 of this paper.